## HORRORS OF A HOLY WAR.

### How Murder and Torture Are Decreed by the Priests of Islam.



been furnished with a vivid picture of the difficulties attendant upon a campaign in Afghanistan, where the troops, in the face of a determined enemy, have to make their way through precipitous defiles and over almost macressible crags. Licutenant W. L. Spencer Churchill, a scion of the great Mariborough family, has just published a book which has taken London by storm. He details his experience with the Malakand expeditionary force, and the picture which he draws is by no means a reassuring one for the British taxpayer, who will eventually have to foot India's little bill for campaign warfare.

It is really a holy war, Islam against the cress, and ranged under their sacred the cross, and ranged under their shered harmer the Afridas commit deeds of fanatlead heroism which excite the admiration blance of peace on the border, for ever gripping with their venous laden jaws, men on the west bank of the Mississippi, in Planarance perish, and bare, as at even of their enemies. Churchili tells us since the first disastrons Afghan campaign they slid about in knotted, palpiteting in Plagueraires perish, and here, as at an instant, and he never forgets it until how in the midst of a hot engagement a of 1879 I has been found changer to submolesh, or priest, would suddenly appear sidize the tribes than to fight them. If a long time neither was oble to gain the little to do with the rest of the population. he is crazy. on the pinnacle of some beetling erag, his leadman will govern his people in quiet, on the pinnacle of some beetling erag, his leadman will govern his people in quiet, maskery, so capally were they matched in operationally a white man or woman who avoid raiding and keep the passes open, strength, in quickness and in canning has become sourced with the world for some going into this war will find that what I long white hair flowing behind him, the layed raiding and keep the passes open, holy flag grasped in his hand, encouraging then he will get an annual payment. If in the health of the second the flerest of the second the second the flerest of the second the second the second the second the flerest of the second the secon and he seemed indeed to hear a charmed indeed to hear a charmed pass, (Frough which therefore Kabal makes)

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wounded makes fighting for the English troops a very difficult matter. The Afghans give no quarter. They have their by which left to the terrible disaster of own code of honor, but it is not the code of the most serve defeats which of the civilized world. To the ferocity of a Zulu they add the craft of a redskin and the marksmanship of a Boer. The world is presented with the grim spectacle, "the

strength of civilization without its mercy.' It seems strange to read of such barbarie warfare in these advanced days writes M. Rose-Soley in the San Francisco Call; but, as a matter of fact, the strife is al-ways going on. It is one of the legacies of poss selons in India have brought her. Afghanistan itself, which now forms the and England in India, is merely a colleceers whom no government can tame. Even the ameer of Afghanistan has no power to keep them in check, though his rule is | monor him the throne took no precau-children who stray on the borders of the chief of the island had a young and very been subdued by any monarch. The hardy hill tribes that inhabit the fastnesses of will pay tribute to no one, though they are always ready to rob and murder whenever opportunity occurs.

modern origin and is due to the Persians, who made a show of conquering the land not last long, and the country returned to its own unsettled condition, nominally ruled by whoever could seize the throne, might being always right and law and justice nowhere

This constant state of activity and unrest has made the Afghans one of the finest fighting races in the world, as the British have time and again found out to their cost. Despite the large force which was sent against the Afridis last autumn the could restore the lost army or the color ball was taken, but no subsequent velocities could restore the lost army or the tame color bad won the fight and saved. The colony of St. Malo has been allowed

fighting possible. The mountainous nature of the country gives its defenders every advantage. It is but a succession of precipitous ranges, each one forming an impregnable position. which a few determined men can hold against thousands. And when, as at Dargai, one mountain is captured with great gallantry and loss of life the victors are only confronted with another and equally strong position, which must likewise be stormed. The difficulty of obtaining supplies and keeping open the line of communication renders the movement of any very large force impossible, and the only way in which victory can eventually be secured is by hemming the tribes up on some mountain top and literally starving

them into submission. This style of border warfare is no new thing to the guides and other regiments thing to the guides and other regiments which constantly patrol the northwest so that the game of intrigues hitherto so "Begging your pardon," recorted the frontier of India. The only difference is successfully carried on in the lauffer state mirror, "but shadoes nat confide elsewhere of Atghanistan would have to course." That which I is her "—Pearson's Weekly.

The English speaking world has recently | Africis was undertaken on an extensive scale; therefore it was called a war. The small expeditions which are constantly going on to discipline some unruly tribe this light. The government of India prusays as little about them as possible and the British public never realizes that another successful little war has been brought to a termination. Sometimes, as at Chittral, the massacre of a British party throws a ghastly light on the affair, and it becomes necessary to occupy the country in force. At other times the troops, having blown up a few mud forts and destroyed a few villages, quietly withdraw, and amenble relations are resumed.

The Bofore any hostile operations can be car-Kush to the plains of the Punjab Every The impossibility of abandoning the expedition of any size which has entered Alghanistan has gone through this pass and it was the regiect to secure it proper British arms have ever sustained.

It is always alleged to be Russian in gree which commences the trouble in Alghanistan. The tocent rising of the Attrible is more than suspected to be due o a secret agitation carried on by Russian agents, though the ameer has been careful to dety any complicity in the actions of his unruly subjects. But in 1939 there was no doubt a bant the matter. The trouble which Great Britain's magnificent | nurser of the chry, Post Michaelmed, was openly dallying with Russia, and the Britich sent an expedition meder Sir John only boundary between Russia in Asia | Keame, which dethroned him and placed Shah Shaja on the throne. Unfortunately tion of unenly hill tribes, wild mountain- Afghan transfery was not so thoroughly understood than as it is now, and the force of 8,000 men left to support the new absolutely despotic, and he enforces order them to keep open its line of retreat to jungle are early seen again—and the men handsome wife, a half breed from Manilla, by the sword only. The country has never India in obsequence the Afghans soon ran back and forth in what seemed a hope, who showed in her complexion and bearabsolutely despotie, and he enforces order | tiens to heep open its line of retreat to or mail red up insurrection against their new rater and his friends, the English the Hindoo Kush and the Himalaya ranges | The whole country rose, and after a number of officers and even helpless women and children had been treacherously mur-The very name of the state is of quite Afghans, agreeing to withdraw from the of scripents, lashing the earth in the threes The Persian rule, however, did the frontier. Neither clause of this agree-breathless and aghast, to the posens of his and cas tied to a stake in the neighboring

600, was destroyed. onsecut wemen and children who had ker little playmate. will all have to be done over again as soon | fallen, and lever since then India has as the return of spring renders renewed been must careful to keep control of the passes, bence the determination with which she has gone to work at any cost to subdue the Airidi rising, for this tribe has been the guardian of the Khyber passince

> Lord Roberts, now a British poer, but more familiarly known as "Bobs of Kanlabar," because of his famous march from Babul to Kambabar, is recognized as one of the greatest living authorities on the subject. In a remarkable speech which he made the other day in the house of lords he advocated as the costest way out of the difficulty nothing less than the complete occupation of Afghanistan and the adoption of a scientific frontier calculated to block all Russian advances toward India. Probably the enermous cost of this scheme will prevent its adoption, but it would have the advantage of making the British

#### A UNIQUE CRIMINAL

Hussey Stole a Picture From the Cognes

James Hussey, heretofore considered by the St. Louis police as only a worthless idler with criminal instincts, achieved a distinction that is unique and exclusively his own. He sneaked into the private of-

The theft of the picture is unprecedented in the annals of crime anywhere in the Hidden In the Swamps Near New Orlight before the police department, and Chief Desmond will endeavor to have him convicted of petty larceny. After getting the picture Hussey was captured in the building by Billy Caples, the Four Courts

Hussey is 20 years old and a moral deenerate. He is a member of a respectable, thrifty German family who live in the west end. Hussey puts in his time when out of jail in smoking opium and elgarettes and drinking beer in the environs of the district about Thirtcenth and Lucas wenue, known to the police as the "White chapel." His name appears oftener on the docket book of the Second district police court than any other offertler, and he is known to every police officer in St.

### SAVED BY A COBRA.

### Tame Sunke Lays Down Its Life For a

This strange story comes from India: A child-a more baby-had strayed some distance from the camp toward the jungle. There under a tree he found a covered basket containing a tame cobra of unusual size, but being the son of a serpent charmer he was not afraid and, cuddling down eside it in the shade, was soon fest asleep.

While he slumbered a wild jungle snake -another cobra-came gliding out of the shadows in search of frogs and mice. At length in the course of its shuous quest it reached the child-an intruder in its domain, the representative of a hated race and quite belpless The horrible creature reared its head, spread its scaly hood and emitted a vindictive hiss. At the sound of it the little boy shrank, even in his dreams. He stirred uneasily and thrust out with his chebby band, striking the bashet so sharply as to dislodge the cover, which bast not been properly fastened. Then he lapsed brek into the deep slumber of thred baby bond.

But the jar of the blow on the basket had thoroughly aroused the time serpent within. She heard the threatening hiss and knew its meaning, for its language her own. It was as when a narive servant overhears her untained fellow which she has in charge. Suddenly the known as Manilla men. The word Philip loose cover was flung off. She too, had reared her head, and hissing out her answer to the challenge the wound her way pine union (i.a Union Philippina) of to the unconscious baby's feet, where she New Orleans takes charge of their bodies or other are never officially recognized in faced the enemy with dilated cross and anti-ses that they are internal, flickering tongue

There was a moment's pause as the two passionate annot from add to side, watch-ing like westlers for a favorable opening. Then with a desh of during large too together like a mark of living rope. Don-beyou and soldement there were probably bling and twisting and contracting, stain-manded by him, and the Manilla men are



BATTLE OF THE CORRAS.

less earch. ther descried his boy, still sleeping by the emity looket, his baby face upturned in sweet unconsciousness, and scarcely severet men killed, and prace was not redered the British made a treaty with the two gards away was the writing tangle stored until the woman had disappeared. country on condition of being supplied of their final struggle. They were almost known, but tradition declares that she with provisions and excepted in safety to exhausted new. As the poor jurgler ran, was under judgment of the council of eithers ment was kept. In the middle of winter, child be saw the grim coils basening. Be-marshes until either the mosquitoes sucked in the latter cold, without food, the troops forc he could reach the spot the reptiles out her lifethead or she starved to death began their disastrons retreat. Bay after had drepped apart, and one stretched its. There is another story—that she was bethe eventy, and within a week the whole in the agends of death. Over its prestrate body sunk in Lake Borgue.

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However it occurred, the fact remains followers, women and children, some 26. for one triumphant hiss, then slowly that she disappeared, and these seems to dragged her crippled body to the baby's belittle reason to doubt from the character

Typical Mexican Pun. In the City of Mexico they had a pretty little entertainment the other day. It was a lion and bull fight, in which the king of heasts-two of him, in fact-showed a contemptible spirit and despirable lack of strength. The fight was witnessed by all the fashionables of the city, from the governor down The first lion was a fierce and powerful brute, which had recently killed its keeper. He lasted just one round. The second lion managed to wound the bull, thereby enraging it so that it fought with redoubled vivor. It gored the flon unmercifully. The governor finally gave the signal for stopping the fight; and the lion was dragged from the arena dying.

Her Secret. "Woman." remarked the extra hairpin, "eannot keep secret anything she is told." away from her adopted father and brought of the trip?" asked another veteron slyly."
"Begging your, pardon." reported the ber to New Orleans, where she has been to The doctor smiled. "Well, I won't say

Wild, Fierce People Who Came From the Philippines.

fice of Chief Desmond and stole a picture of "Red" O'Connell, a notorious local thief, from the rogues gallery.

leans They Live Like Their Oriental Tragedies Come From St. Malo.

Hidden away in the swamps of Louisi-Luzon without the trouble of a trip a ross secure the services of a guide who speaks Spanish and will lead him to St Malo, the largest of the Philippine settlements. The Malays, or Philippine Islanders,



them until after death, when the Philip-New Orients takes charge of their bodies

There is no record of when this Manilla colony was established. It is known to istens, when both that colony and the Philippines were owned by Spain. The name of Malo suggests this, for St. Malo, swift for the eye to follow they closed and France, was the birthplace of the Louisibegan to writte in mortal combot, twined an sampeler and pirate Lacate, and the together like a marked living rope. Does began and solvement there were probably

> merchants One of the Manilla settlements dewrites tracif exclusively to catchng shrimp for the Chinese trade.
> The most characteristic Manilla settle-

ment to visit is the island of St. Malo, in Lake Borgue, 30 miles from New Orleans. It is a free republic within the borders of sottisians, owing no allegiance to the tate It is, like the monasteries of Mount Athes, childely free from women. These of the men who want wives withdraw a w riles from the settlement and take up

Women are prohibited from landing in Sials on the ground that they are likeby to de norelize the population and arouse strife and trouble, and the men are quick enough with their creezes when they are aroused or angered. This promittion is the result of experience

Some years ago some of the Manilla men of St. Maio took wives to themselves. The ing her Castillen ancestry. The woman At last, however, the panic stricken fa- proced false, and soon St. Malo was in the midst of a bitter quarred which threatened to destroy the settlement. There were

What became of her was never definitely.

to execute its laws in accordance with the traditions and practices of the Philippine

Islands. The married men who leave St. Male live in solitary wents in the midst of the swamps. Occasionally one of them wanders to New Orleans and makes that city his home, but that is very rare, and they are as rare in New Orleans as in other

parts of the country. A few months ago the authorities of St. Bernard parish rescued from one of these Calay settlements a beautiful girl of 6 or years, a perfect type of the Caucasian. The mother had wandered into the camp. whence no one knows, and died thers, leaving her child behind.

The Manilla men were trying to bring however, that comparatively few bullets the girl up properly, but the authorities find billets, and that considering the were convinced that they could not do so number of shots that are fired in a hot enand that it would be a great mistake to gagement very few men are killed or even lot such a child remain in a settlement of ; wounded." will and desperate men. So they took her "Didn't you run a little toward the end away from her adopted father and brought of the trip?" asked another veteran slyly."

It is almost within sight of the spires of double in the last few strides."

New Orleans, yet in its life and Heasthere from 16,000 miles and 5,000 years away. As the Malays are not mechanics, but simple dishermen, they usually induce one white man to take up his residence among them to build their boots.

The teland of St Malo is not an Island

in reality, but frequently becomes on when a gulf storm drives the waters of Lake Borgue over the neighboring land. Exposed as it is to the fury of the gulf tor nadoes and the tidal waves, which in a big storm, streep over the land and even over the chemieres, the houses are built on stilts, five or ever ten feet above the ground, so that if the water rises it will not flood Ancestors-Strange Stories of Cruel them The posts are driven into the soil, but the bou- s are as fragile as these at Luzon, which temble down with every earthquake. The roof is of palmetto, lata and are four colonies of Philippine Island
Malays. If a man wishes to understand the Philippine Islands, if he wants to visit villages in the Philippines nier and mess, the exact counterpart of

As in Manilla, the principal amusements of the people of St. Malo are gambling and the Pacific, he can do so by a journey of a of the people of St. Malo are gambling and few hours from New Orleans, if he can coeklighting. Never were there more desperate gamblers than these Malays, and with dice rather than with cards. The great game of the Manilla men is craps, and it is not improbable that this game which is popularly supposed to have found he way into this country through the negross, really came through the Louisians

If the inhabitants of the Philippines are co better than the men of their race set tled at St. Malo, they are certainly een turies removed from the possibilities of self government, and the Louisinia Malays have at least a chance of knowing what civilization is. They are desperate gamblers, improvident, living a life more say oge and with less of the element of civiliration about it than that of the lowest

There are scores, too, of desperate revenges among them. Some time ago a Manilla man living a short distance from St. Malo was informed that a compadre had sworn to burn down his house and murder him. He met the would be assassin in the marsh a few days afterward. and with two friends tied the man with a strong rope, so that he could move neither hand nor foot. Then he drove a strong stake into the swamp, so deep that it could not be moved, and tied his enemy to it. When the stake was visited next day, the would be assessin was found dead. The mosquitoes and tappanoes (green headed files) had sucked out his life blood.

#### THE FIRST FIRE.

#### Would You Try to Dodge the Bullets When They Whizzed?

Would you dodge the bullets in your first battle? Lots of people think they would not flinch. Others are frank enough to say they think they would. The old question "Can soldiers go into battle with out being frightened?" came up among a group of professional and business men. A strongly expressed opinion came from a young national guardsman that a brave man would never be frightened under any

"Don's believe paything of the kind." put in the white haired physician, "I was an army surgeon in the war of the rebellion, and I never knew a man to go under fire without being so badly seared that he would have given anything to be able to run away without being regarded as a pol

"The man who says he was not frightened when he went into battle is either a diar er a fool. There may be men so stupid It costs the Indian government a large land twisting and contracting, steinlarge and twisting and twisting and twisting and contracting and co calls close by the sheeping infant, and for St. Male, they live by themselves and have he is so warmed up with the conflict that

say is true when they first find themselves facing the bullets and shells. But the boys Meanwhile the buby had been missed is never heard of amin. The Plaquemines don't flinch. No fear of that. They will nearly a third of them were drawned. The cause their lines will tramble when they then are almost exclusively fishermen and first hear the 'spit spat' of the bullets and grantedly have contracts with Chinese see their compades dropping around them. "I was in the battle of the Wilderness. and somehow I found myself in the skir



DODGING BUILDETS.

mish line. I had no business to be there because I was on the medical staff. The bullets begun to whistle around me, and I got behind a tree. Then I tried to think how I was to get out of it. The brain works quickly in positions of deadly peril.
"I reflected: 'Now, if I run a bullet will eatch me just as surely as if I walk. Therefore I will just walk to the rear.' I came out from my tree and walked By good luck I was not hit. It seemed as if I was in the midst of a very hallstorm of lead. It is a fact well known to veterans.

that my quick murch did not become a

# A School Girl's Nerves.

From the " New Era," Greensburg, Ind.

Mothers who have young daughters of school age should watch their health more carefully than their studies. The proper development of their body is of the first importance. After the confinement of the school room, plenty of out-of-door exercise should be taken. It is better that their children never learn their h, b, c's, than that by learning them they lose their health.

But all this is self-evident. Everyone admits it—everyone knows it, but everyone once not know how to build them up when once they are broken down. The following method of one mother; if rightly applied, may save gour daughter:

The young lady was Miss Lucg Barnes, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Barnes, who lives near Burney, Ind. She is a bright young lady, is fond of books, although her progress in this line has been considerably retarded by the considerable amount of sickness she has experienced. She has missed two years of school on account of her had health, but now she will be able to pursue her studies, since her health has been restored.

Her father was talking of her case to a newspaper men one day recently. "My daughter has had a very serious time of it," said Mr. Barnes, "bot now we are all happy to know that the is gesting along all right and its stronger than aver." Asked to relate the story of his daughter, Mr. Barnes of the study was all the same and lover limbs, and we were afraid that the least Rittle noise would irritate her very much, and she was very talestable. There was a swery consistent with the least Rittle noise would irritate her very much, and she was very talestable. There was a major to develop St. Jim's dance.

"She kept getting worse and finally we had to take her from the chool and her day to take her from the chool and her day to take he for the chool and her day to the her from the chool and her day to the health of the chool and her day to the health of the chool and her day to the health of the chool and her day to the health of the chool and her day to the health of the chool and h

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